

BASEBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE OPENS SEASON IN FOUR CITIES. SCORES PITTSBURG, 1. NEW YORK, 7. BROOKLYN, 2. CHICAGO, 6. ST. LOUIS, 0. PHILADELPHIA, 0. BOSTON, 1. BROWNS WIN CLOSE GAME AT INDIANAPOLIS. TERRA FIRMA WINS MEMPHIS CLUB PURSE.

CARDINALS HOLD CHAMPION PIRATES TO A SINGLE RUN.

SOCIETY GAVE THE CARDINALS A CHEERY GREETING.



MISS ANNA KOEHLER, Member of the Linborg box party at yesterday's baseball game.

behind the catcher, Mrs. Lambert wearing young girl, sitting in a box on the left. Mrs. Diekriede wore blue cloth over a black cloth tailor gown, with small black hat.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Diekriede brought Miss Edna Anheuser and another pale blue silk blouse.

Palmer Clarkson, Amadeus Reuburn, Jr., George Marqua and Elgin S. Brookes were some of the men who arrived early to watch the practice.

Miss Sarah Liebke, wearing a black cloth costume, with hat of ecru straw and black taffeta, came with friends.

Little John Robinson, the St. Louis club's mascot, set with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson of the West End Hotel, proudly wearing his brand-new uniform, a reproduction of the team suit.

Miss Emma Arnold, in blue corduroy, with a black and white golf vest, came with Jack Kaufman, and Miss Maude Niedringhaus, in navy cloth, with a white hair-line, came with friends.

Jack Ladd, Will Becker, Gardner McKnight and Frank Bergs were some of the young men who hurried in to find snugly positions in the grand stand.

Among the Benedicts who came without their wives were James Drummond, Clarence Carpenter, Amadeus Reuburn, Jr., Count de Penolosa, Will Steer, Frank Wyman, Al Bauer, Tom Maffitt, J. B. Chambers, Edmund Wickham, Doctor Leland Boogher and Theodore Hall.

G. F. Schlange, Charles Napton, Miss Lela Chopin, Harlowe Spencer, David Nicholson and Emil Wamsangs, who brought a pretty girl in blue, were all part of the large audience.

THE CARDINALS' NEW MASCOT.

When he first made his appearance in practice his motions and his way of handling the bat were so different from those of the Cardinals that he was called "the new mascot." He made a clever one-hand swing thing in practice.

The Cardinals and pirates will have their second tilt to-day. Jack Wagner has been delegated to umpire the game for the local. Jack Ryan will catch the game. Cheabro will likely do the twirling for the Pirates, with Chief Zimmer as his receiver. Otherwise the teams will line up the same as yesterday.

Joe Cantillon, who was rated the best umpire in the American League last year, handled the indicator yesterday, and only in one or two instances were his decisions questioned. In the third inning he made a ruling that was protested by the visitors. Hamilton hit down to left, and Leach and Smith pitched to the left field. Leach missed out, but the hefty Teuton was right behind him. He made a clever one-hand swing, and without receiving his balance, made one of his famous lobs over to first. The ball arrived before Hamilton, but Cantillon ruled that he did not touch his foot on the base. Wagner covers the short field as well as ever, and there was not the slightest error in his work.

Former Mayor Andrew Patton of Pittsburgh, who has not missed Pittsburgh's opening game for many seasons, occupied a box with President Barney Dreyfuss and Secretary Harry Pulliam of the Pittsburgh club. President Frank de Haas Robinson and Vice President Stanley Robinson viewed the game from the back of the grand stand.

The result of the various games yesterday will furnish much food for the "dopers." Jack Doyle and his New York crew of collegians outbatted and outplayed Philadelphia and won by a good margin. The Quakers missed Delehanthy and Flick. At Washington Park this afternoon was a pitcher's battle from start to finish, in which the Leaguers were victorious. The game was won by the Brooklyn players with a score of 2 to 0. On the winning team Hilbrand showed up very strong, although he only scored one hit and went out twice on line flies. The score:

Pittsburgh	AB	R	H	E	St. Louis	AB	R	H	E
Barry, cf.	4	0	1	0	Smith, 1b.	4	0	0	0
Beck, 2b.	4	0	0	0	Leach, 2b.	4	0	0	0
Hartman, 3b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 3b.	4	0	0	0
Smoot, 4b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 4b.	4	0	0	0
Donovan, 5b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 5b.	4	0	0	0
Ryan, 6b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 6b.	4	0	0	0
Totals	20	0	1	0	Totals	20	0	0	0

Donovan Proves the Better in a Battle of Pitchers.

New York, April 17.—The opening of the season between the Brooklyn and Boston baseball clubs of the National League at Washington Park this afternoon was a pitcher's battle from start to finish, in which the Leaguers were victorious. The game was won by the Brooklyn players with a score of 2 to 0. On the winning team Hilbrand showed up very strong, although he only scored one hit and went out twice on line flies. The score:

Brooklyn	AB	R	H	E	St. Louis	AB	R	H	E
Doyle, cf.	4	0	1	0	Smith, 1b.	4	0	0	0
Conner, 2b.	4	0	0	0	Leach, 2b.	4	0	0	0
McCarthy, 3b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 3b.	4	0	0	0
Flannery, 4b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 4b.	4	0	0	0
Donovan, 5b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 5b.	4	0	0	0
Ryan, 6b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 6b.	4	0	0	0
Totals	20	0	1	0	Totals	20	0	0	0

CINCINNATI LOSSES TO CHICAGO.

Ten Thousand Fans See Opening Game—Score 6 to 2.

Cincinnati, April 16.—The Cincinnati lost the opening game here to-day mainly through their inability to land on Taylor. Chicago landed on Swormstedt rather lively. The Leaguers were victorious. The game was won by the Brooklyn players with a score of 2 to 0. On the winning team Hilbrand showed up very strong, although he only scored one hit and went out twice on line flies. The score:

Cincinnati	AB	R	H	E	Chicago	AB	R	H	E
Boyer, cf.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 1b.	4	0	0	0
Doyle, 2b.	4	0	0	0	Leach, 2b.	4	0	0	0
Conner, 3b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 3b.	4	0	0	0
McCarthy, 4b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 4b.	4	0	0	0
Flannery, 5b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 5b.	4	0	0	0
Donovan, 6b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 6b.	4	0	0	0
Totals	20	0	0	0	Totals	20	0	0	0

ADAMS SIGNS WITH CARDINALS.

Manager Donovan Adds Another Pitcher to His Winning Staff.

Manager Donovan now has six pitchers on his staff. He announced last night that he had signed Adams, who was formerly with the St. Louis Cardinals. Adams was a pitcher for the Cardinals for several years and was known for his strong arm and good control. He was signed to a one-year contract for \$10,000.

WILLING TO FIGHT ANYWHERE.

Fitzsimmons Tells Jeffries to Arrange Terms Himself.

New York, April 17.—Bob Fitzsimmons sent a telegram to-day to James J. Jeffries saying he was convinced that the only safe way to arrange a fight between them would be to let Jeffries make the terms. Fitzsimmons further said that he would meet Jeffries anywhere in California and at any time to box for the championship of the world, and that he would leave the making of arrangements to Jeffries, he to do the best possible for all concerned.

BIG CATCH AT CREVE COEUR.

Shovel-Bill Catfish, That Weighed Forty-Nine Pounds.

A shovel-bill catfish, measuring 8 feet and 7 inches from the end of his snout to the tip of his tail, and weighing forty-nine pounds, was caught on a trout line yesterday at Creve Coeur Lake by Frank Beard, Joseph Vorce and Fred Suber. It was perhaps the biggest catch of the season.

BOWLING.

WESTERN LEAGUE.

Centers 5, Louisianans 6.

The St. Louis Western Bowling Club League played five games with the Louisianans last night. The scores were:

St. Louis	AB	R	H	E	Louisianans	AB	R	H	E
Doyle, cf.	4	0	1	0	Smith, 1b.	4	0	0	0
Conner, 2b.	4	0	0	0	Leach, 2b.	4	0	0	0
McCarthy, 3b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 3b.	4	0	0	0
Flannery, 4b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 4b.	4	0	0	0
Donovan, 5b.	4	0	0	0	Smith, 5b.	4	0	0	0
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PADEN'S HOME RUN CLEARS THE BASES. RUNAWAY RACE OF IT.

Browns Negotiate One-Run Victory at Indianapolis With Reedy in the Box.

Won the Club Members' Purse at a Mile and One-Sixteenth From The Lady and Wax Taper.

CLOSE CALL IN THE NINTH.

Housers Rally in Final Inning, But Reedy Is Cool Under Fire—McAleerites Hitting Well.

Searcher Bent Menace and El Caney and Poor Boy Took the 2-Year-Old Event From Tom Cogan.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 17.—St. Louis won to-day, but the Browns gave them a fierce brush. A single and double with but one runner in the ninth put them within close proximity of victory, but Reedy held his own while in trouble, and got away with the game with a one-run lead.

The teams lined up the same as yesterday, with the exception of the batteries. Jack Southworth was delegated to the twirling for the locals, and he was opposed by Willie Reedy, who used to come here in the guise of a Brewer. He got a warm reception in the first inning.

After Fox had been hit, Hogreiver and O'Brien finished. McCormick made a wild throw in foolishly attempting to field O'Brien out at first, allowing Fox and Hogreiver to score. O'Brien got in on Kinn's fly to Burke. Burdett had gone out, Heidrick and Jones pushed the ball past third. Dick Padden slammed the horsehide into left. The ball rolled under the fence and all the runners cleared the bases. Padden getting credit, then both pitchers got down and pitched winning ball.

St. Louis got in the lead with a run in the sixth, due to Southworth's wildness. He passed Anderson and allowed him to take a lead, with pitcher's pick. The score by innings:

St. Louis..... 3 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 3 7
Batteries—St. Louis, Reedy and Maloney; Indianapolis, Southworth and McAleer.

Amateur Baseball Notes.

—Fred Scholl of No. 127 North Tenth street, manager of the banners, would like to hear from men on the 14 and 15 years old class for a game Sunday.

—Charles Archibault of No. 334 Lexington avenue, manager of the 13-year-old class, would like to hear from men on the 13-year-old class for a game Sunday.

—The Dunlop team, organized for the season, and will play the Grattan Juniors Sunday afternoon. The Dunlop line will be: P. Scholl, catcher; L. Miller, first base; J. Scholl, second base; L. Miller, third base; J. Scholl, shortstop; L. Miller, left field; J. Scholl, center field; J. Scholl, right field; J. Scholl, pitcher.

—The Grattan Juniors will play the Dunlop team Sunday afternoon. The Grattan line will be: P. Scholl, catcher; L. Miller, first base; J. Scholl, second base; L. Miller, third base; J. Scholl, shortstop; L. Miller, left field; J. Scholl, center field; J. Scholl, right field; J. Scholl, pitcher.

Present to Captain Rees.

Memphis, Tenn., April 17.—Captain James H. Rees of this city, presiding judge of the present session of the Memphis Bar Association, was presented with a magnificent cut-glass punch bowl and silver service by the Crescent City Club of New Orleans.

CLASS A STANDING.

Final Game in Billiard Tournament to Be Played To-Night.

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